

Attorney Docket No. 53394.000776

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
 REQUEST FORM FOR FILING CONTINUING APPLICATION
 UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

Attorney Docket Number: 53394.000776

Prior Application: 09/685,610, filed October 11, 2000

Anticipated Classification Of This Application :
 Class Subclass Examiner: Karin M. REICHLE
 Art Unit: 3761MAIL STOP: Patent Application
 Commissioner for Patents
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1460

Sir:

This is a request for filing a [X] continuation [] divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of prior Application Serial No 09/685,610 filed October 11, 2000 and 09/159,682 filed October 15, 1998, entitled METHOD FOR ATTACHING MECHANICAL FASTENERS TO ABSORBENT ARTICLES AND THE RESULTING ABSORBENT ARTICLES by the following named Inventor Besty JOHNSON.

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior complete application as originally filed, including the oath or declaration and a new abstract. No amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.
2. Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
3. Cancel in this application original claims 1-10 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. At least one original independent claim is retained to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.
4. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as mentioned at 1, 2 and 3 above.

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	CALCULATIONS
TOTAL CLAIMS	10	0	x \$18.00 =	\$
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2	0	x \$88.00 =	\$
BASIC FEE				\$770.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$
REDUCTION BY 1/2 FOR FILING BY SMALL ENTITY (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). IF APPLICABLE, VERIFIED STATEMENT MUST BE ATTACHED.				\$
TOTAL =				\$770.00

5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.
6. Please charge \$ to Applicant's Deposit Account No. 50-0206 (attached is a copy of authorization to charge Applicant's Deposit Account).
7. Amend the specification by inserting the first sentence: This is a continuation of Application No. 09/685,610 filed October 11, 2000 which in turn is a continuation of Application No. 09/159,682, filed October 15, 1998.

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